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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

This is 1964, the 10th anniversary of the year the U.S. Supreme Court ordered public schools to let children attend classes together and learn to live side by side.

There are 11 states which make up the "hard core" Deep South. These were the states which seceded from the United States 103 years ago and formed the Confederate States of America.

The basic issue then was an attempt to preserve a way of life in which whites exploited Negroes.

DESEGREGATION SCORE: 1%

Now, 10 years after the Supreme Court school desegregation ruling and 101 years after Negro slaves were supposedly freed, what is the situation in these 11 "hard core" states?

A total of 30,798 Negroes go to desegregated schools, or slightly over one per cent of the Negro public school population of these 11 states.

In South Carolina, home state of J. Strom Thurmond, a grand total of 10 Negro children attend desegregated schools. In Alabama, it's 11.

In Mississippi, according to the Southern Education Reporting Service, they don't even have token desegregation. No Negroes attend desegregated schools below the college level in Ole Miss.

GOOD THINGS ABOUT '64

Not all is dark and gloomy.

Among things to be thankful about: 1964 is starting out with what is referred to as President Johnson's "peace offensive."

And a special presidential assistant has been named by the President for consumer affairs, Mrs. Esther Peterson, who'll also continue to serve as an assistant secretary of labor.

HOW TO BEAT THE REALTORS

For those who read the "How to Beat the Realtors" editorial in last week's issue and want to know more about the do-it-yourself approach to buying, selling and renting homes, call TH 1-0704.

That's the number of the League for Decency in Real Estate, 1646 Prince St., Berkeley.

SOUTH COUNTY DEPRIVED

The Grand Jury called for emergency services at Washington Township Hospital.

South County residents are being deprived of adequate hospital first aid facilities because the public hospital's Board of Directors caved in to organized medicine's ridiculous stand.

All the more reason to "Vote Yes on Recall?"

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Bay labor councils plan unemployment meeting

Labor meets with mayor on bias issue

Unionists met with Oakland's Mayor John C. Houlihan Monday on possible racial and anti-union discrimination in city departments.

Assistant Secretary Richard K. Groulx of the Central Labor Council was present, along with Business Manager Cliff Sanders and other representatives of East Bay Municipal Employees 390.

Groulx told the Labor Council many Recreation Department caretakers are prevented from taking promotional examinations for the next higher job, that of maintenance mechanic.

He said most of the caretakers are Negroes and union members.

Groulx added that Dave Dawson, a caretaker active in the union, tried to improve the situation and was taken off a desirable job at Mosswood Recreation Center and moved to a less desirable position.

Also discussed with Mayor Houlihan, Groulx said, were promotional policies of the Street Department. He said the department's policy of giving the supervisor authority to determine which employees are promoted from the laborer to semi-skilled laborer classification deters people from joining the union.

The Building Trades Council

BTC: Wrap-up insurance for BARTD hit

The Building Trades Council voted Tuesday night to oppose a wrap-up insurance proposal for the Bay Area Rapid Transit District.

Business Representative J. L. Childers noted that the chief objection is that workmen's compensation and public liability insurance would be carried by the same insurance company.

In some cases, he said, this is like a traffic accident where both cars are insured with the same company. Childers charged that in such cases both parties sometimes find it more difficult to collect.

In on-the-job cases where a man is hurt and a third party, or another contractor, is involved, the injured worker tends to get more cooperation in processing his claim if the workmen's compensation and liability insurance are carried by different companies, Childers explained to BTC delegates.

He conceded that this occurs in 10 per cent or less of the cases, but said that where the situation arises it is an important consideration for the person injured.

The Building Trades Council

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'Restore fair bids on public works,' Millmen ask solons

Millmen carried the fight to preserve their industry and jobs in California to an Assembly interim committee Wednesday and Thursday.

Business Representative Clyde Johnson of Millmen 550, Oakland, appeared before the Subcommittee on State Purchasing of the Assembly Interim Ways and Means Committee at a hearing in Santa Monica.

Johnson urged the subcommittee to "restore fair bidding competition to the mill-cabinet industry" for public works projects.

In addition to his prepared statement, Johnson submitted a resolution on school cabinets and millwork which has been approved by the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, Hayward Carpenters 1622, San Francisco Carpenters 42 and Local 550.

The resolution is scheduled

for presentation to the State Council of Carpenters at its forthcoming convention.

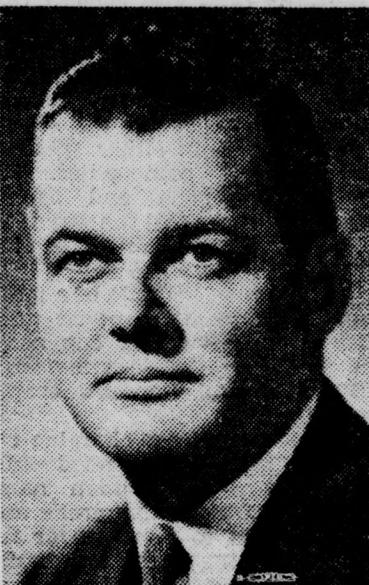
It would put the state council on record that Carpenters "will actively oppose any bond issues for schools and public buildings unless there is a prior agreement the contract for cabinets, fixtures and millwork will be allocated to California union manufacturers."

The resolution also:

• Would pledge the state council to push for reintroduction of Assembly Bill 2287 in the Legislature at its next session. The bill would require payment of prevailing California wage scales for cabinets and millwork purchased for public buildings in California.

• States that Carpenters will investigate any shipments from outside California to be sure they are union made and con-

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JOHN F. HENNING

J. F. Henning, Keyserling, Hanna to talk

The Alameda, San Francisco, Contra Costa and Santa Clara County labor councils will sponsor a "Bay Area Conference on Unemployment" Jan. 29 at the San Francisco Labor Temple.

Speakers and their topics are scheduled to include:

John F. Henning, undersecretary of labor and former research director for the California Labor Federation; Manpower Development and Training Act.

Leon Keyserling, chairman of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisers, now head of the Conference on Economic Progress: Automation.

Charles F. Hanna, chief of the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards: Apprenticeship.

Maurice I. Gershenson, chief of the State Division of Labor Statistics: Bay Area Job Opportunities.

Marc Johnson, coastal area manager for the State Department of Employment: Bay Area Unemployment.

Other speakers will include: Richard K. Groulx, assistant secretary, Alameda County Central Labor Council; Don Vial, research director, California Labor Federation; Harry Pollard, labor economist; Dr. Edward Goldman, assistant San Francisco superintendent of schools; Dr. Lewis G. Watts, director, Hunter's Point Youth Opportunities Center, and Dan Daniels, executive director, Richmond Neighborhood House.

FREE TO ALL UNIONISTS

The conference will be free and open to all unionists. It will open at 9 a.m. There will be a luncheon, at \$4.75, at the Del Webb Towne House. Keyserling will speak at the luncheon.

Tickets for the luncheon may be obtained at the conference or by contacting the San Francisco Labor Council, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, or by telephoning the council at UN 3-1701.

Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash of the Alameda County CIC said plans for the conference began before announcement of a recent Conference on Full Employment held at San Francisco State College, which was not under AFLCIO auspices and listed Ash as a speaker without consulting him.

Alameda County unions will receive formal notification of the Jan. 29 conference, Ash told CIC delegates Monday night, and a large turnout is urged.

COPE meeting

Next meeting of the Alameda County AFLCIO Council of Political Education will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Labor Temple, according to Robert S. Ash, COPE secretary-treasurer.



GOVERNOR BROWN, left, listens as Congressman Jeffery Cohelan (D-Berkeley) makes a point. The governor will be the featured speaker at a testimonial dinner for Congressman Cohelan Wednesday night at Goodman's Jack London Hall. For information on where to obtain tickets, see story on page 1 and further details on the dinner.

Dunn cites work in cleaning shack town for migrants

Federal, state and county agencies are working with private organizations to clean up conditions at the Three Rocks shack town near Fresno, where many migrant farm workers spend their winters, according to Francis Dunn, chief of the State Division of Housing.

Dunn, a former Alameda County supervisor and onetime member of the State Assembly from the 13th District, called developments at Three Rocks "most encouraging."

He said 14 vacant shacks have been eliminated, and a Fresno County farmer has made 20 acres of land available for relocation.

FOUNDATION GRANT

The Rosenberg Foundation, Dunn added, has approved a grant for supervision and assistance in constructing dwelling units. Much of the labor will be furnished by the tenants themselves.

In addition, according to Dunn, an application for low interest loans has been made to the Farmers Home Administration.

Dunn praised "this fine example of cooperation which includes federal, state and county authorities working with private organizations and public spirited individuals together with the self-help of the people of Three Rocks."

The combined effort, Dunn added, "is not only removing a shameful condition from our state but is providing a solution to the even more difficult problem of relocation for the residents."

Dunn said much credit should go to Fresno County officials who, he said, were determined to eliminate this "nationally famous rural slum."

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Local 3367 asks jobless pay

Steelworkers 3367 has asked the State Department of Unemployment to grant unemployment benefits to strikers against Pacific States Steel Co. in Union City.

Eighteen, union attorney George King said, were called back to work, but no jobs were available. Appeals were filed for other strikers on grounds the company refused to bargain on a 10 per cent incentive pay cut.

Tom Marshall represented the union at appeal hearings concluded Monday, according to William Stumpf, staff representative.

Local 3367 also filed refusal to bargain charges against Pacific States with the National Labor Relations Board Monday.

In another action, the union won a stipulated judgment from the company compelling management to arbitrate the incentive pay cut before Sam Kagel, arbitrator. The union filed the suit to compel arbitration, and trial had been scheduled the day the stipulated judgment was reached.

Robey Pierce, Local 3367 delegate, told the Labor Council Monday night strikers are "stronger than ever" as the dispute enters its fifth month.

He said \$5,000 a week in aid to strikers is being distributed by "a top notch welfare committee." Any aid other unions can give

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will be greatly appreciated, Pierce declared.

The CLC adopted an amended recommendation of its strike fund committee that funds for Local 3367 strikers be deposited with the Labor Council and paid out through the committee.

Teamster raid probe

The Central Labor Council has named a seven member committee to investigate the problem of Teamster raids on AFLCIO unions.

Members are: Joseph Angelo, Robert S. Ash, Russell Crowell, Richard K. Groulx, Leslie K. Moore, Arthur M. Wade and Harris C. Wilkin.

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Lee candidacy withdrawn Fair Housing material offered by Democrats

Edward L. (Pete) Lee, Teacher 771, has withdrawn his candidacy for the Oakland Civil Service Commission, Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash of the Central Labor Council reported Monday night.

Ash said a City Council majority for Lee was lacking. Two other names have been submitted.

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FORMER PRESIDENT Richard G. Gray of the AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Department administers the oath of office to the department's officers and council members. Shown are, from left, Peter T. Schoemann, Plumbers; Gordon M. Freeman, Electrical Workers; Peter Fosco, Laborers; John J. Murphy, Bricklayers; Russell K. Berg, Boilermakers; Hunter P. Wharton, Operating Engineers; Edward J. Leonard, Plasterers; Department President C. J. Haggerty, former secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation; M. A. Hutcheson, Carpenters; L. M. Raftery, Painters; John H. Lyons Jr., Iron Workers, and Department Secretary-Treasurer Frank Bonadio. All are international union presidents except Fosco, who is secretary-treasurer of the Laborers, and Haggerty and Bonadio.

Brown names 3 to FEPC

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown has appointed two new members of the State Fair Employment Practices Commission.

They are Louis Garcia, a San Francisco attorney, and Clive Graham, a Long Beach realtor.

The two new memberships on the FEPC were created by passage of the Rumford Fair Housing Act. Housing complaints are handled by the FEPC under the act.

Governor Brown also reappointed John Anson Ford, former Los Angeles county supervisor, to the FEPC.

Garcia is familiar with Mexican-American problems.

Concerning Graham's appointment, the governor said:

"Mr. Graham's appointment is an assurance to the people of California that not all realtors agree with the California Real Estate Association that we should have legalized bigotry in this state."

CONGRESSMAN George P. Miller met with postal unions on possible racial discrimination in the Oakland Post Office, the CLC was told.

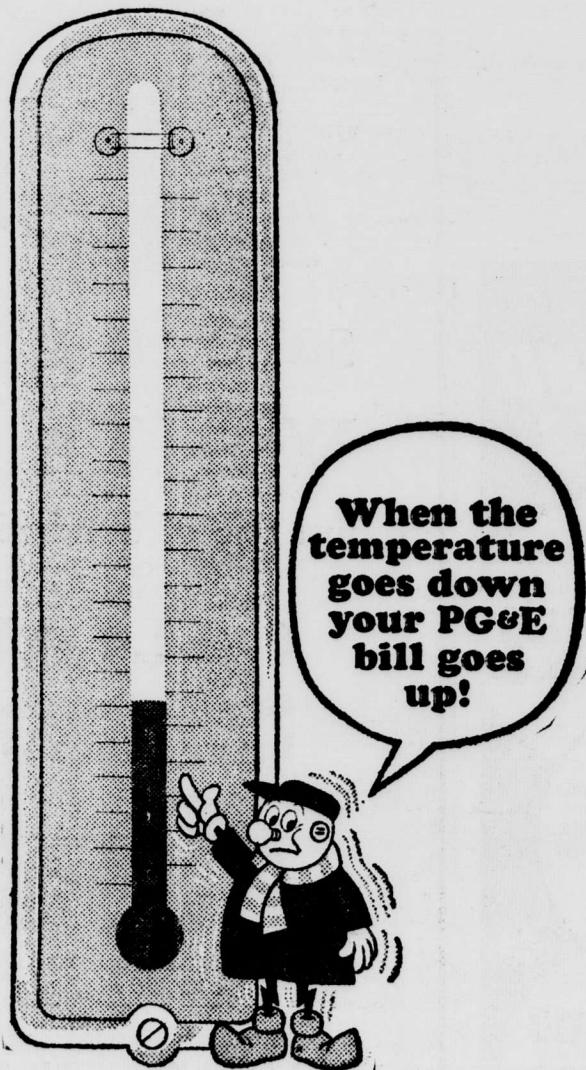
Employees may refuse to work in unsafe place

Employees may refuse to work in an unsafe place, according to the State Division of Industrial Safety. Employers must provide a safe place in which to work.

Suggestions for setting up a safety program, required by Construction Safety Order 1509, are contained in a free brochure obtainable from the division.

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Lt. Gov. Anderson foresees full employment push in '64

Lieutenant Governor Glenn M. Anderson predicts the coming year will witness "the greatest effort toward achieving full employment California has ever seen."

Anderson pointed to a number of major steps already underway. He said whole new concepts for reaching our goal of total employment could evolve from this new attack.

"Automation means progress," Anderson said, "but it also conjures up an old malady in the minds of many of us. Workers displaced by constantly advancing production techniques perpetuate a problem that has been with us for years. But it is now being attacked at far more levels, and from more directions than it ever has been in the past."

BUSINESS 'SHOWS CONCERN'

"Labor leaders have for some time expressed their worry over the threats of automation. And, in recent years, business and management have also shown an increasing and more vocal concern for the dangers automation poses to our society and our economy," Anderson declared.

He added:

"The role of the state in attacking threats to full employment has been to help find the sources of these threats, and do everything possible to wipe them out. But the battle can be successful only with the combined aid and cooperation of business and labor. The new commission on Manpower, Automation and Technology in California brings together all these interests. The members of this commission, recently appointed by Governor Pat Brown, represent the finest concentration of brains and ability in these fields assembled anywhere. I have every confidence that this group will help lead us more smoothly and quickly to the time when full employment will be realized."

Anderson cited several examples of the current attack on unemployment, and said "innovations are bound to come."

S.F. firemen sue PG&E-gas blast

Eleven San Francisco firemen filed a combined \$5,120,000 damage suit against the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. as the result of an explosion of escaping gas which blew up a home and damaged others on Alemany Boulevard a year ago.

The men suffered burns and other major injuries. They accuse PG&E of being negligent in designing, installing and maintaining the gas line, allowing gas to escape and not acting for more than an hour after it was notified of the condition.

Three firemen still have not returned to duty. Two others have returned only on a trial basis.

"Educators are devoting more attention to vocational training programs," he said. "The Federal Manpower Development and Training Act is moving ahead faster in California with re-training programs than in any other state."

"Minorities, without question, have suffered badly when employment dips, and careful studies of this problem are now under way."

"We will see increased emphasis on long-range economic planning for the entire state, so that private and public interests can work together more closely in keeping our economy—and thus our employment—at the highest level possible."

'D-Day' for ending discrimination in licensed agencies

State Welfare Director J. M. Wedemeyer has set today (Friday) as "D-Day" to end racial and religious discrimination in state-licensed facilities which care for children and the aged.

Affected are day nurseries, maternity homes and child placing agencies.

The new regulations do not cover adopting agencies and foster homes. Wedemeyer said their special problems have been referred to the State Social Welfare Board as part of its proposed study of the entire field of child care in the state.

The State Welfare Department regulations are in response to Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown's order to all state agencies to end discrimination in their own activities and in operations licensed by the state.

Wedemeyer said any agency of institution found discriminating will face suspension or revocation of its license.

Anti-Semitism in Soviet Union hit

The Jewish Community Relations Council is calling upon three national groups to declare a day of fasting for all members of the Jewish faith to protest anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union.

Seymour Rose, chairman of the local council, said in recent months there have been attacks in the Soviet press against synagogues, and synagogues have been closed in many parts of the Soviet Union.

He said the Soviet government has refused to allow printing of prayer books and charged that Jews have been singled out for severe sentences for economic crimes more than other members of the population.

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OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

The following members were nominated and elected as delegates to the 36th annual convention of the California State Council of Carpenters at Palo Alto Feb. 4 through 7, 1964: Charles Roe, Walt Williams, Lewis Curtis, Gus Toensing. Brother Gus Toensing won the toss over Brother Loren Auten for fourth place.

The following were nominated for the office of the one business representative: Loren Auten, Lewis Curtis, Luther Curry, Virgil Brunstedt. Election for business representative will be held Saturday, Feb. 1, 1964. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

NOTICE TO STEWARDS

The stewards meeting has been changed from the second Tuesday of the month to the fourth Wednesday of each month.

The next stewards meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 22, according to Roy Fouché, chairman.

Our regular meetings are held every Friday evening at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,

A. W. (Tony) RICE
Recording Secretary

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AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

The regular meetings of Lodge 1546 are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. at our building at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland.

Fraternally,

DON CROSMAN
Recording Secretary

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E.B. MUNI. EMPLOYEES 390

CITY OF OAKLAND (F)
Wednesday, Jan. 15, 8 p.m., Room 232, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

PORT OF OAKLAND (P)
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 8 p.m., Room 232, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

CITY OF RICHMOND (D, DP)
Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1964, 7:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

HAYWARD SCHOOLS (H)
Saturday, Jan. 18, 10 a.m., Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

HIGHLAND HOSPITAL (GH)
Wednesday, Jan. 22, 8 p.m., Room 232, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

FAIRMONT HOSPITAL (GF)
Thursday, Jan. 23, 8 p.m., Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

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BARBERS 134

Our regular meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 23, at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 23rd and Valdez Streets, Oakland.

New officers will be installed and the second reading will be held on proposed changes of duties for the secretary-treasurer and business representative.

Fraternally,

I. O. (Al) CHAMORRO
Secretary-Treasurer

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PAINTERS 127

The next meeting of the local will be Jan. 9. It will be a special called meeting to elect three delegates to the California State Conference of Painters convention. Start the new year out right and come down to vote for your delegates.

Payola Night is still being held. You could win one quarter's dues. Hope to see a lot of the members present.

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RETAIL CLERKS 870

The first regular meeting of the membership for January will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 8 p.m. at the Union Auditorium, 6537 Foothill Blvd., Oakland.

Fraternally,

HARRIS C. WILKIN
President

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STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m. The executive board meets at 6:30 p.m. Now is the time for all good men to protect our wages and conditions.

Fraternally,

D. ARCA
Acting Secretary

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U.C. EMPLOYEES 371

The next regular meeting of Local 371 will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, 1964. Place: YMCA Building, 921 Kains Ave., Albany.

Executive board will meet at 1 p.m. unless notified by your president or secretary as to a possible earlier time.

The order of business at our regular meeting will include installation of your 1964 officers. All 1963 officers were re-elected. Joseph Santoro did not run for re-election; so we welcome Carl Oliver as our new elected executive board member. Discussions will include our new arrangement with the international union for Council participation and business representative services. All members are urged to attend as these subjects are vital to our local's welfare.

Fraternally,

HAROLD LYMAN
Secretary

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PAINT MAKERS 1101

On the agenda for the January meeting will be nominations for the office of recording secretary, with an election in February.

Regular meeting, Jan. 21

Time, 8 p.m.

Place, Hall C, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally yours,
EDWARD MORGAN
Recording Secretary

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CARPENTERS 1473

Local 1473 meets on the first and third Fridays of each month at Eagle Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland, at 8 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING

The meeting of Jan. 17 is special called to nominate and elect delegates to the State Council of Carpenters convention which will be held in February in Palo Alto.

Also, please keep your officers informed as to your correct address. Vacation checks should be sent out at the end of January and addresses should be correct if you want to receive your check.

Fraternally,

J. W. KIRKMAN
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CARPENTERS 36

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Stewards will meet on Thursday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m.

The educational committee will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Recording Secretary

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AUTO AND SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next meeting will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE
Bus. Rep.

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C.O. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The next meeting, which is also a special election meeting, will be held Jan. 11, 1964, at 1918 Grove St., Oakland, Calif., at 2 p.m. Elected officers will hold office for two years.

A fine of \$5 will be levied for non-attendance without prior approval of the executive board.

The executive board will meet at 10 a.m.

Fraternally,
VICTOR BARTELS
Secretary

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ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

There will be an honorary dinner held at the Veterans Memorial Building, Walnut and Central, Alameda, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m. to honor all of our 25 year members. All local members and guests are cordially invited.

Fraternally,
CHARLES LEHMANN
Recording Secretary

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UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meeting held second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1238 36th Ave., Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. MCINTOSH
Recording Secretary

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OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Recording Secretary

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CARPENTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Local Union 444 will be held Wednesday, Jan. 22, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, at 8 p.m. The newly elected officers will be installed in this meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The regular order of business.

2. In the final official count of votes taken during the election of Dec. 18, there was a tie vote for a seat on the finance committee between Michael Cahill and George Ellis.

Due to this, an election will be held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 22, to break this tie vote between these two brothers.

This election will be held in accordance with the United Association Constitution and the bylaws of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Local Union 444, UA.

There will be a buffet supper after the meeting.

Please start the New Year with a resolution to attend your union meetings each month regularly.

With kind regards and best wishes for the coming year.

Fraternally yours,

BEN H. BEYNON
Financial Secretary-Treasurer and
Business Manager

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BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Regular meetings held the first and third Mondays of each month at Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley.

Fraternally,

NICK J. AFDAMO
Recording Secretary

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Floor covering sellers in S.F. indicted; Oakland firms 'co-conspirators'

Four San Francisco firms which sell and install floor coverings were indicted by a federal grand jury last Friday for violating federal anti-trust laws.

They were: Brookman Co., Peterson-Cobby Co., Turner Resilient Floors and West Coast Linoleum and four of their officials.

Named as co-conspirators were three Oakland firms: Rigney Tile Co., Superior Tile Co. and Lorentzen Co. They were not listed as defendants in the action, which said the four S.F. firms submitted “rigged” bids and divided jobs up.

You should be there at 8 a.m. Call 793-5646 for further information. To get to the boys' club, take the Central Fremont turn-off on the Nimitz Freeway, turn right on Blacow Road, then left on Boone drive. The club is on Boone drive next to the G. M. Walters School in the Sunvale tract.

U.C. student body non-union print shop meet topic

Central Labor Council representatives will meet with those of the Associated Students of the University of California in a dispute over non-union offset printing pressmen.

Jack McCormick, business agent for Offset Artisans 473, said last week the meeting would be requested by Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Central Labor Council, officials of the ASUC and the local union.

The ASUC Print Shop duplicates educational material for students and prints announcements and other items for student organizations. Six employees are involved.

“The labor movement in general will take a look at the situation on the campus,” McCormick said.

An effort to set up talks last week failed because of the vacation period at the university. McCormick said further attempts to meet with ASUC officials would be made this week.

Volunteers asked for boys club job

Want to help raise the roof? If so, the Boys Club of Fremont needs you.

The club has issued a call for building tradesmen, especially Carpenters, Sheet Metal Workers and Roofers, to help this Saturday. Help is also needed on week days, and volunteers from any craft will be put to good use.

A blanket permit has been issued for the community service project by the Building Trades Council. A ham dinner will be served for those who help Saturday.

You should be there at 8 a.m. Call 793-5646 for further information. To get to the boys' club, take the Central Fremont turn-off on the Nimitz Freeway, turn right on Blacow Road, then left

Retail Clerks' Union 870

By HARRIS C. WILKIN

Let us resolve that in 1964 we will take a more active part in our union. A strong union is a well informed union, and the only way the members can receive important information is by attending union meetings.

A number of our contracts expire in 1964, and it will be necessary to have a large number of special called meetings to discuss proposals and improvements for negotiations. When these special called meetings are announced, please make every effort to attend.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

It is suggested that anyone making direct payments through the union office on their health and welfare while either unemployed or ill, contact the office before sending in their payments on January hours as the rate has increased as of Jan. 1, 1964.

The hearing before the National Labor Relations Board regarding White Front Stores Inc. was concluded on Jan. 2, 1964, after sessions that lasted for 2½ days. The one obstacle remaining in the way of a quick election is the attitude taken by the owner of the jewelry, camera and liquor departments, whereby he is resisting being included in an overall unit. We are hopeful that in making their decision the NLRB will uphold our position of a one unit election for the retail store excluding, of course, those departments under the jurisdiction of other unions.

Carpenters Credit Union

By PAUL HUGDINS, Treasurer

Hayward Local 1622 members are especially invited to attend the annual meeting of the members of this credit union on Jan. 18, Saturday, at 1 p.m.

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Road. We chose that meeting place because we now have so many members in the area from San Jose to San Mateo that Hayward has become most centrally located for our membership as a whole.

Local 1622 is well represented in this credit union, also, with upwards of 200 members. Of course, we also have many members in San Francisco and Marin Counties, and in the Richmond to Vallejo area and Martinez and Antioch.

Millmen, Millwrights, Shipwrights, Shinglers, Floor Layers and the Production and Miscellaneous Local members are all invited. Our membership is open to all local unions affiliated with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

The members elect directors, supervisors and committee members in the annual meeting each January. These are the ones who run the credit union under the overall supervision of the Division of Corporations of the State of California.

A bylaws amendment will be presented for action by the membership to increase the number of directors to 15. We now have over \$520,000 in assets, and the membership continues to increase at an average of 50 per month.

Wives and families are invited, also, and refreshments will be served. Mattox Road runs from 20500 Mission Blvd. (East 14th Street) up to Foothill Blvd.

Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

Hi. 1964 politics are starting to percolate. The coming primaries will increase the turbulence to a full boil. Politics is a spectator sport. Participants must accept the risks. While some of the mud washes off, the deception, blocking and infighting is vicious and dirty, occasionally crippling the players. However, spectators participate in politics to the extent of voting for the Ball Carrier. This year, important posts are at stake. A majority of the voters will select, and elect, representatives for all the people. If you don't vote, you have no choice in the selection. If you DO vote, examine the record of the candidate. He who fails to support social legislation, medicare and civil rights is not a friend of the little people. He is a friend of the business interests, such as the NAM, the AMA and the chambers of commerce.

Whatever a candidate says, his performance counts. And his actions speak louder than his words. Okay?? Okay.

Demand the Union Label!

Millmen 550

By CLYDE JOHNSON

The following resolution has been presented to the convention of the State Council of Carpenters. It has also been endorsed by Carpenters Local 1622, Millmen's Local 42 in San Francisco and the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters.

"Whereas, the Carpentry and Mill-Cabinet trades, as we know them, may be wrecked by automation, mechanization and new materials in the next few years, as demonstrated by:

"1. The excessive (12 per cent) rate of unemployment in the Building Trades nationally;

"2. The huge increase in building without any comparable increase in building jobs (attributed to automation by the recent Building Trades convention);

"3. The loss of 40,000 jobs every week (two million annually) due to automation in all industries (as reported to the AFL-CIO convention);

"4. The rapidly increasing use of plastics, light metals, and other wood substitutes in building (Particularly in prefabricated wall sections, bathrooms, school rooms, cabinets, siding, pipe, etc.);

"5. The rapid increase in prefabrication of components away from the job site with consequent reduction in job site work;

"6. The constant revision of building codes to accommodate the use of new materials, new methods, new designs, and prefabricated components;

"7. The tendency to establish new manufacturing plants in rural areas where low wages and substandard conditions prevail;

"8. The resultant wild, new competitive pressures that are undermining our work standards and agreements, creating unemployment and job dislocations, and upsetting the economy needlessly for selfish reasons, therefore be it

"Resolved, that the 36th convention of the California State Council of Carpenters will support and promote a coordinated program to protect Brotherhood members and all labor during these turbulent, changing times in the building industry, and

"1. Seek cooperation of all branches of the Brotherhood and the various councils of the AFL-CIO in advancing a unified program to meet the problems and challenges of automation;

"2. Tackle unemployment problems with a vigorous campaign for national legislation for (a) the shorter work week, (b) earlier retirement (age 60) with increased pension benefits, (c) federally subsidized education through the college level,

(d) public works programs, (e) and other programs of economic planning for the security of the working man;

"3. Negotiate all new developments and changes in the building industry with the deliberate aim of forming and controlling statewide policies and helping develop national policies on automation;

"4. Protect quality and safety standards in building codes and specifications and oppose cheapening our trade with cut-rate methods and substitutes that cause competitive havoc;

"5. Extend organizing activities in plastics, prefabrication and all mechanized and automated sections of Brotherhood jurisdiction, especially in rural areas, to maintain statewide industry conditions at a competitive level;

"6. Publish a newsletter for local unions relating Council activities and developments in automation in our industry;

"7. Employ a trained research and public relations assistant to study and promote this program under the direction of the executive secretary of the Council;

"8. Review and implement this program at sessions of the executive board of the State Council."

Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

Some 300 members and invited guests attended the installation of officers of this union, held Jan. 2, 1964, with United Association Apprenticeship Coordinator Dan MacDonald installing the officers. We wish to thank Dan, former business manager of Local Union 393 of San Jose, for taking time out from his many duties to install the officers of our union.

President Wilson, Business Representatives Lou Kovacevich and Bill Weber, along with the writer, addressed the members and thanked them for their support in the election. Brothers Jack Matheis and Don Stallings also addressed the members.

In behalf of the union's apprenticeship committee, I had the pleasure of presenting to Brother Ernie Boyer a fine, engraved wrist watch in token of the union's appreciation for his fine interest and the promotion of the apprenticeship program of this local union, covering a period of many years. Words cannot express the outstanding job that Ernie has done for our apprentices and the committee's program, not to speak of the very fine journeyman job he has done as our recording secretary. Brother Boyer expressed his gratitude and appreciation to the membership. His talk was well received by those present as shown by the hand response that he received. Thanks, again, Ernie, for a job well done.

Following the installation, a buffet dinner and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

The Journeyman Skilled Improvement Committee wishes to call to the attention of the membership that openings are now available for the next class covering heli-arc welding. For those interested, you may register on Jan. 28, 1964, in Hall 4 of the Berkeley Public School, located at 1804 Oregon St., Berkeley, at 7:30 p.m. The class will begin on Feb. 1, 1964, at 7 p.m. Also, if you are interested in starting a class or classes of your choice, kindly drop a note to the Skilled Improvement Committee, in care of this office.

Our next membership meeting will be held Thursday, Jan. 16.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

In August of last year we wrote of signing a union agreement with the L&L Watch Repair, a trade shop in Hayward.

We are happy to inform the members at this time that we have signed a new agreement with the same company for an increase in wages as well as the increase in health and welfare payments, with the new agreement to expire on Nov. 31, 1964.

We were glad to work out this new agreement before the expiration of the old agreement. In the new agreement the workers will receive an increase in wages, and the union health and welfare fund will receive an increase in wages, and the union health and welfare fund will receive an amount to cover the increased costs which went into effect on Dec. 1, 1963.

Sheet Metal Credit Union

By BERT TONZI

Your credit union is an organization of Sheet Metal Workers of Local 216. It is yours. You and your entire family are eligible to join and have voting privileges. Every year we have an election to place men in office to guide us for another year. This is your business, and it is your money that makes our credit union work and prosper. A notice will be sent to each member as to when and where to cast his ballot.

To join your credit union call 841-3613, or write P.O. Box 201, Station A, Berkeley 2. You may see Bill Mansell at the union office on Tuesday nights, 7:30 to 9 p.m.

DEADLINE

Deadline for union meeting notices and columns is noon Monday of the week of publication unless otherwise announced.

Hopes for early start on coliseum job dimmed

Hopes for an early start on construction of the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum were dimmed this week with announcement of plans for an appeal from a recent Superior Court ruling in favor of the \$25 million construction project.

Notice of the appeal was filed by County Auditor Eugene V. Waring and City Auditor-Controller Alan Brizee.

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'Restore fair bids on public works,' Millmen ask solons

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form to bid specifications and local laws.

'80% COMES FROM OUTSIDE'

Johnson told the committee more than 80 per cent of cabinets and fixtures for schools and other public buildings in California is now made in other states.

If continued, this will result in destruction of the industry in California and throwing of 12,000 millmen and cabinet makers onto unemployment rolls, Johnson predicted.

He called it "economic nonsense" for school boards and other public agencies to try to save a few pennies when so much is at stake.

California loses about \$10 million in taxes from manufacturing and payrolls in this manner, Johnson told the subcommittee.

He charged that California agencies are now:

- Favoring out-of-state manufacturers by writing specifications around their catalogues, "making it almost impossible for local firms to bid."

- Accepting inferior products at job sites in violation of bid specifications.

- Permitting installation of cabinets and fixtures that are in violation of bid specifications, and

- "Placing responsible officials in the position of negotiating acceptance of inferior products already installed and under pressure of school opening deadlines."

California plans to build 200 schools a year for the next 10 to 12 years, Johnson said, and much is at stake. He charged that the First California Commission on School Construction Systems recently mailed out a model set of mill-cabinet school specifications "so loosely drawn the cheapest box factory would be interested."

'CALIFORNIA FIRMS IGNORED'

These specifications were mailed to 17 out-of-state firms, but not one California manufacturer, Johnson charged.

He added:

"This commission, with callous indifference, opened the door wide for non-union shops in the southern states, segregated racially, and paying workers about \$1.50 an hour without fringe benefits."

Johnson specifically hit "costly experiences with specification violations" at California State College in Hayward, Humboldt State College and Long Beach State College.

Local 550's written presentation contained a detailed documentation of the union's right to uphold bid specifications at Cal State.

Democrats call realtors' petitions disruptive in C.C.

The Contra Costa County Democratic Central Committee has urged registered voters not to sign the "disruptive" petitions being circulated by the California Real Estate Association against the Rumford Fair Housing Act.

The association's campaign, the central committee said, "would embitter race relations, increase racial tensions and make it more difficult to bring about justice in housing for all people."

The central committee pointed out that the Rumford Act had the support of the Contra Costa County delegation in the Legislature — Senator George Miller and Assemblymen John Knox and Jerome Waldie.

"The objective of the Rumford Fair Housing Act," the committee's resolution went on, "is right in its intent that people of whatever race, creed or color should be able to buy or rent any available housing which they can afford."

FAIR TRIAL URGED

The committee urged all realtors in Contra Costa County to give the Rumford Act a fair trial, to oppose the "dangerous" initiative and to resist financing of the campaign through assessments on realtors and local realty boards.

The resolution, submitted by Charles R. Weidner, Democratic candidate for Congress in 1962 and adopted unanimously by the central committee, specifically praised California Realtors for Fair Housing, which is opposing the "divisive" initiative.



FUNDS FOR a COPE register-and-vote campaign were raised in Los Angeles at a banquet addressed by Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown recently. The affair was sponsored by the Los Angeles AFLCIO Committee on Political Education. Shown seated are, from left, Secretary-Treasurer W. J. Bassett, Los Angeles Federation of Labor; Governor Brown, and AFLCIO Legislative Director Andrew J. Biemiller. Standing is Webb Green, Los Angeles COPE chairman.

Lovestone new director of international affairs

R. J. Thomas retires as aide to President Meany

R. J. Thomas retired as administrative assistant to AFL-CIO President Walter Reuther Jan. 1.

Thomas, 63, had been in poor health for a year. He was one of the leaders of the 1937 sitdown strikes in the auto industry and became a vice president of the United Auto Workers that year.

After the ouster of Homer Martin, Thomas was elected UAW president, a post he held until 1946.

BTC: wrap-up insurance hit

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is already on record against a proposed wrap-up insurance plan at the University of California.

Childers reported he understands the U.C. Board of Regents had approved the plan recently, and it is to go into effect about March 1.

The council authorized Childers to appear before the rapid transit district's board this Thursday to oppose its wrap-up insurance plan.

JAPANESE TRAINS

Childers also reported that the BTC executive board, at the suggestion of Charles Roe, Hayward Carpenters 1622, had voted to oppose announced plans by three Japanese companies to bid on contracts to build trains for BARTD.

Childers said about \$1 billion

worth of rapid transit equipment will be bought by American cities and regional districts in the next several years, and the board opposed spending tax dollars for equipment made in other countries, particularly with high U.S. unemployment.

DAVIS-BACON AMENDMENT

Although the council has already acted, President Paul Jones urged all unions to wire Alameda County's congressmen immediately in support of H.R. 6014, which would bring fringe benefits under the Davis-Bacon Act in computing prevailing area pay standards.

Childers also urged individuals to send telegrams. The council received communications on the matter from Thomas L. Pitts, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Federation, and Bryan P. Deavers, president of the State Building Trades Council.

Johns to speak at U.C.

George Johns, secretary of the San Francisco Labor Council, will discuss "The University and Organized Labor: A Neglected Consideration" at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Room 2003, Letters and Science Building, at the University of California.

The talk, which is free to the public, is sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers local on campus.

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| United States Government Obligations | 26,070,821.68 |
| Obligations of other Federal Agencies | 3,300,187.92 |
| State, County and Municipal Bonds | 10,024,382.47 |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank | 97,500.00 |
| Loans, and Discounts, less Reserves | 39,492,892.07 |
| Bank Building, Furniture and Fixtures | 45,820,685.15 |
| Accrued Interest Receivable | 844,812.19 |
| Other Assets | 551,436.26 |
| | 60,154.91 |
| Total Resources | \$100,272,105.11 |

Liabilities

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| Deposits | \$93,000,408.20 |
| Capital | 1,250,000.00 |
| Surplus | 2,000,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits | 2,577,037.95 |
| Unearned Income Collected | 5,827,037.95 |
| Reserves for Taxes, Interest, Etc | 496,237.41 |
| Other Liabilities | 947,162.29 |
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Get going on jobs, but don't forget us workers

President Johnson has announced a goal of 75 million jobs. And Secretary of Labor Wirtz says "full employment, nothing less," should be the nation's goal for 1964.

The Secretary of Labor, in our opinion, doesn't expect everybody to be working by the end of 1964. In the first place, the term "full employment" doesn't mean that. There will always be people in transition between jobs and people voluntarily unemployed.

In the second place, Wirtz indicated in an earlier address, delivered at the University of Michigan, that there are five major causes of unemployment—"taxes, inadequate education, poverty, racial prejudice and careless automation." The results of inadequate education, at least, are not going to be removed in a single year. It will take many years.

Concerning the effects of automation, Wirtz said:

"... I think the answer lies in the recognition that a man is entitled, assuming the exercise of full responsibility on his part, to another job either in the same enterprise or elsewhere without reduction in earnings or loss of benefits and with full training provided if new skills are required."

To us, this implies a deeper responsibility by both business and government than has been assumed so far in most cases.

Among other things, Wirtz said such a policy would also require "the relaxation of union restraints (and) a different collective bargaining attitude."

We hope Wirtz did not mean a softening of union demands for decent wages and conditions. After all, 94½ per cent of the work force is employed, and industry and profits are booming.

The very real and pressing problem of unemployment should not be used by industry as a cudgel against those who are employed. Unions should be concerned equally with bettering the lot of the unemployed and of the employed.

We concur with Secretary Wirtz in urging a massive attack on unemployment now. But among those working, millions are criminally underpaid. And very few others are adequately compensated in proportion to their skill and output in an economy what is reaping great harvests for those who own, rather than those who work for a living.

Weinberger remembers '58

Republican State Chairman Caspar W. Weinberger has warned the GOP about getting mixed up on the side of the California Real Estate Association in its big crusade against the Rumford Fair Housing Law.

Weinberger knows what happened to the GOP in 1958, when reactionary forces headed by William F. Knowland captured control of the party and ran it into the ground on an equally unwise crusade for a so-called "right-to-work" law.

Meanwhile, Knowland's "boy," Barry Goldwater, has announced his plans to run for President, to nobody's surprise. Goldwater is trying to look like the leader of another grand crusade of some kind or other. But, to us, he's just another misled reactionary trying to solve 20th Century problems with 17th Century panaceas.

Unless President Johnson falls flat on his face, Goldwater won't be elected, in our opinion. In fact, we doubt if any Republican can do it—if labor and the Democrats do their political job between now and next November. The only trouble with Goldwater's being in there is that he might make some people think other Republicans are "moderate" or "liberal" or "almost like Democrats." We are hearing these phrases already. Nothing could be further from the truth, as we think any impartial analysis of voting records of non-Dixiecrat Democrats and any Republicans will show and as we intend to demonstrate between now and November.

Opinions

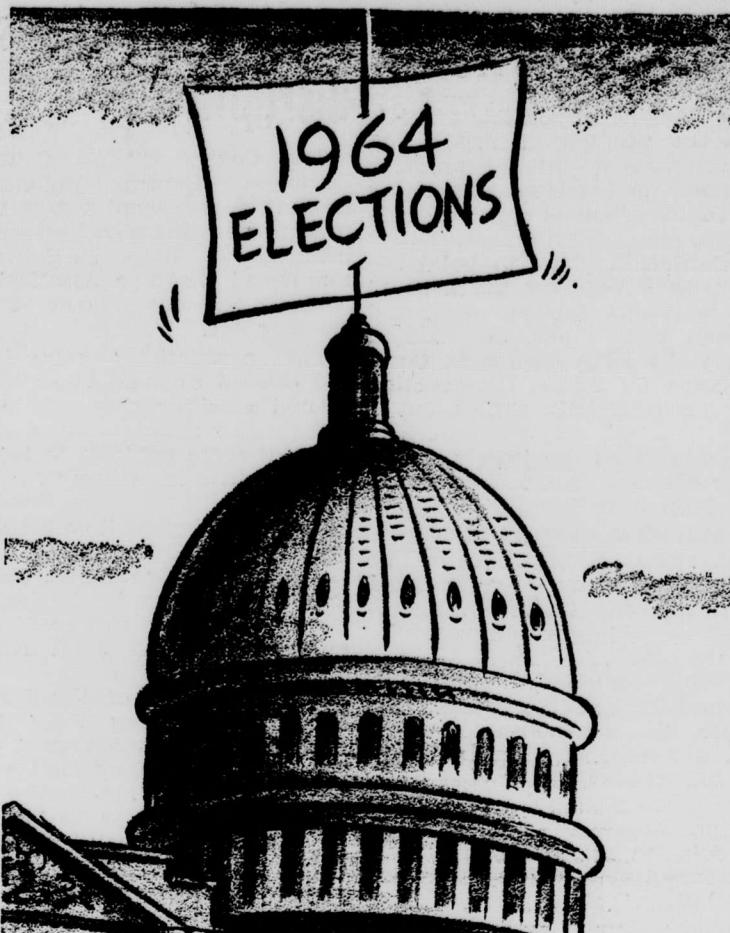
Two writers object to a letter, "Kennedy Wasn't and Isn't a God," by Jim Dahl, published Dec. 27.

Obviously, we don't agree with all the letters we publish. The "Opinions" column is our free speech department. We believe free discussion of ideas is the lifeblood of democracy, and we try to publish all viewpoints—with due regard for the libel and obscenity laws, of course.

It is important for the public to know that some people think this way. And it is important not to suppress dissenting ideas. Suppression breeds subversion.

As a great democrat, Fiorello La Guardia, once said, "There is no such thing as selective freedom of speech."

Weathervane



CWA'S UNION-TO-UNION PLAN AIDS DEMOCRACY

By VIRGINIA PREWETT
From Washington Daily News

Latin American skies are none too sunny these days for U.S. official aid programs nor for important U.S. private investments.

The relations between U.S. and Latin American labor, however, have bright spots that are a source of comfort.

"Operation Latin America" is a unique union-to-union program developed by the Communications Workers of America. In early 1960, CWA President Joseph Beirne began to send funds to a South American opposite number of his. Today, this program has helped create among Latin American workers a total of 51 new democratic affiliates.

"We've taken the postal, telephone and telegraph workers of one country after another away from communist organizers," says an OLA spokesman. "OLA is getting an average of one new Latin American pro-democratic affiliate a month at present."

Over 700,000 CWA members support OLA. Each month, the various CWA locals receive from their members small voluntary contributions. These are sent directly to union officials in Latin America.

"For many years, communism has made a special effort to get control of the workers in a number of strategic occupations," says the spokesman. "But we're gradually pushing them out of ours."

CWA's Mr. Beirne started OLA by helping one Latin American labor leader. In Ecuador, communist organizers were in virtual control of the communications field. About 200 CWA unions in U.S. West Coast states began supplying a small monthly sum through the Beirne office directly to an Ecuadorian labor leader, Señor Jose Lorca.

"Pepe" Lorca, who receives about \$150 a month from the CWA, was able with this help to devote himself full-time to organizing communications employees and holding training seminars for other young leaders.

COMMUNISTS DEFEATED

"Since then, he has won over for Ecuador's pro-democratic Federation of Telephone Workers a majority of the communications personnel in his country. Many of them came from communist-controlled rivals.

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LOCAL 9415 LEADER CITES CWA PLAN

Editor, Labor Journal:

Enclosed is a copy of an article taken from the Washington Daily News of Nov. 22, 1963, written by Virginia Prewett.

It is with a great deal of pride that I submit this copy of an article covering an activity of our international union which we feel, as local members, enables us to actively participate in the fight against Communist encroachment in the Latin American countries.

I, personally, have had the

EDITOR'S NOTE

The article referred to by Local 9415 President Wade is reprinted at the left.

good fortune to have met some of these young labor leaders who have been brought to the United States by our union for training and specially designed educational courses. They were trained to be instructors as well as organizers and were given those supplies and materials they would need when they arrived back home in their own countries.

Each of the nine CWA districts in the United States has either adopted or is in the process of adopting a representative in one of the Latin American countries, and by voluntary donations through membership action some of our locals are paying their wages so they can function as full time representatives, as indicated in the article.

In the Bay Area counties there are approximately 9,000 CWA members, who, I feel, would be extremely pleased if your paper would print the article so your reading public could gain firsthand knowledge of the job that labor is doing, from a working man and working woman's standpoint, for the good of their nation and its people. This might offset, to some degree, some of the vile actions of some of our prominent labor unions, such as the Teamsters.

ARTHUR M. WADE, President
Local 9415
Communications Workers
of America, AFLCIO

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A LITTLE TALLER

Editor, Labor Journal:

I have read the letters to the editor from a Mr. Jim Dahl, who signs himself as a member of Commercial Telegraphers 208, many times.

All of them have been critical, vindictive masterpieces, but his of Dec. 27, 1963, hit a new low.

All I would like to say is that his letter has made our former President John F. Kennedy a little bit taller and he, Mr. Jim Dahl, one notch lower.

STEPHEN CORSO
Member, Retail Clerks 870

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OBJECTS TO LETTER

Editor, Labor Journal:

Any more articles like this and don't send the Journal to me anymore.

A. A. OLSON
Member, Carpenters 1158
(Enclosed copy of letter from Jim Dahl, "Kennedy Wasn't and Isn't a God" from Dec. 27 issue.)

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DEMOCRACY

A democracy can only be strong if all the citizens are properly educated and careers are freely open to all the talented.—James B. Conant.